

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DIRECTS EXPLOSION PROBE

Washington, Nov. 13.—Sweeping investigations of bomb explosions and munitions plant fires in various parts of the country are in progress at the direction of the department of justice, the White House announced today.

Attorney General Gregory, personally directing the probe, will report soon to the president regarding his progress. Many persons are under surveillance and it has been found necessary to increase the investigation force.

The frequency of bomb explosions on ships and fires in big munitions plants will be thoroughly looked into.

The activities of Ambassador Dumbs, leading to his recall, were brought to mind as a result of this announcement. Likewise, it was deemed significant that the announcement came only a day following the charges of former Austrian Consul Goricar of San Francisco, that he had been forced to flee and then resign because he refused to do the bidding of Austria in getting plans of American fortifications. He charged, too, that a definite spy ring is harbored in the United States, under the direction of German Ambassador von Bernstorff and Austrian Consul General Nuber of New York.

LOSS OF SUBMARINES

BERLIN, via Bayville, Nov. 15.—London reports that the British had sunk two German submarines at Gibraltar were officially denied here today.

MASON TELLS WHAT WAR MOVES MEAN

New York, Nov. 13.—Submarine destruction of the Italian steamer Firenze, reported today, is not accidental recklessness but a deliberate new Austrian policy.

"Frightfulness" has not been the Austrian method. But it is now extremely probable that Austria has decided that the time has arrived when Italy can be terrorized into quitting the war. With the failure of the Italian offensives indications of profound discouragement followed.

Moreover, it is reported that pessimism led to a fracas in the Italian cabinet session in which books were hurled at one of the minister's head.

In addition to the signs of a weakening Italy there are indications that a peace faction is quietly working in Rome, urging a separate withdrawal of Italy from the war. There is no doubt that the joyous spirit of certainty which marked the entry of Italy into the struggle now no longer prevails.

JUDGE GIVES RECIPE FOR WEDDED BLISS

Cleveland, Nov. 13.—"How to be happy though married" has been divulged by Judge Estep, who since September 1 has tried 425 divorce cases.

"Teach your eyes to see fewer faults and more virtues," he advises. "Kiss your wife good-by in the morning and say 'How do you do' at night. Don't interrupt your husband while he is reading a paper or enjoying a hobby. Don't tell your wife you are going to lodge when you intend to play poker. Don't nag your husband. Don't get married until you know each other a year."

HIS HOSPITAL VISIT

The Stranger Who Inspected the Federal Quarters.

WE CHEERED A FEW PATIENTS

But the Secret of the Unknown Doctor's Influence Did Not Become Apparent Until the Next Day and After He Had Taken His Departure.

It was in the spring of 1862, when Stonewall Jackson, marching down the Shenandoah valley, had won a brilliant victory over General Banks, whom he drove north until the friendly Potomac interposed its screen and he found safety and care for his sick and wounded in the hospitals of Frederick.

A new nurse had been assigned to one of the hospitals the day before the battle—a Massachusetts woman named Charlotte McKay, widowed and made childless within a single year. The patients she had under her care were mostly Federals of course, but there was a good sprinkling of wounded Confederates who were prisoners of war.

One day, just after dinner time, the chief surgeon entered Mrs. McKay's ward, accompanied by a stranger. The man had the appearance of a student. His head was bent and his brows were drawn together, with two deep lines between them, as if he had spent long, thoughtful hours at his desk, and his eyes, the color of blue steel, swept the ward with a keen glance that seemed to take in everything. His grizzled beard showed that he was no longer young, but his step and bearing were elastic and vigorous.

"Dr. Janeway is from Louisiana," explained the chief as he introduced the stranger. "He had to abandon a large sugar plantation there when the war broke out because of his loyalty. He was a surgeon in the Crimean war and so is interested in seeing how we do things here."

The stranger chatted genially with the nurses and the surgeon, discussed their operating facilities, compared them with those of the Crimea, questioned them about the rations of the prisoners and accepted a steaming cup of hot soup from the nurse.

The prisoners were watching and listening to all that passed, in strong contrast to the sullen indifference they had shown before. One young Virginian, tall and muscular, looked as if he were about to spring from his cot.

"That boy looks like he came from near my place," observed the southern Unionist. "May I speak to him?"

"Yes, doctor; you may talk to any of them."

With a curiously quick and noiseless step the visitor reached the bed and conversed for a moment in tones that were inaudible to all but the young soldier. He returned in a moment.

"I was mistaken. A chance resemblance deceived me. The man says he is 'banking for a drink,' nurse. I told him I would ask you for it."

The wounded man drank the water, stretched out on his side and appeared to sleep, while the two surgeons went on to another ward and presently left the building. Mounting his horse, Dr. Janeway made a cordial goodby to the chief, bowed with deep respect to the two women and rode slowly out of the hospital grounds.

The prisoners were in better spirits the next morning. A laugh passed from time to time. It was almost as if some excellent joke unknown to their attendants had raised their courage.

"Did you know the gentleman who was here yesterday?" Mrs. McKay asked the boy soldier. The lad grinned up at her and replied:

"Yes, ma'am."

"You did? Who was he?"

"It was Stonewall Jackson, ma'am."

The nurse stared, then she said:

"You're making fun of me, Pryor. General Jackson here in the midst of our armies!"

"It wouldn't be the first time," retorted the boy, nettled by her unbelief. "More than once, when he hadn't just the scout he wanted at hand, he has gone on his own errands."

"But what if he should be recognized?"

"Who's to recognize him? None of your folks, for those who would know him are fighting, not nursing the sick. And none of ours, for they wouldn't tell if they saw him. Reason he spoke to me yesterday was 'cause I was showing too much interest. I'm one of his 'foot cavalry,' ma'am. He wanted to know just how we was bein' treated, and so he came to see."

"We try to do the best we can for you, Pryor."

"Yes, ma'am. I told him so. We've been treated a heap better than we expected to be. But it's tough to be a prisoner, you know. And that was Stonewall Jackson."—Youth's Companion.

Nothing Gratis. "You can't get something for nothing in this life."

"That's right," replied the gloomy citizen. "If I want even a few kind words about my disposition and some hope of future success I've got to go to a fortune teller and pay for them."—Washington Star.

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LOST—On Crescent City road between Selma and Wilderville, 25 high-power Stevens rifle in canvas case. Finder leave at Courier office and receive liberal reward. 97

A WOMAN'S OPINION.

It Went on Record as a Decision of the Supreme Court.

"All the justices of the supreme court wear gowns of black silk," says Francis E. Leupp in "Walks About Washington." John Jay, the first chief justice, relieved the somber monotony of his by adding a collar bound with scarlet, but the precedent was not followed. The court has sometimes been styled the most dignified judicial tribunal in the world, and doubtless it deserves the compliment.

"The arguments made before it are confined to calm, unemotional reasoning. The pleaders do not raise their voices or forget their manners or indulge in personalities or oratory while debating, and the opinions of the court are recited with a quietness almost conversational. These opinions are very carefully guarded up to the moment they are read from the bench, but now and then, after a decision has become history, there leaks out an amusing story of how it came to be rendered.

"Such an instance was in the case of an imported delicacy which might have been classed either as a preparation of fish or as a favoring sauce. The customs officers had levied duty on it as a sauce, and an importer had appealed. The justices, when they came to compare notes, confessed themselves sorely puzzled, and one of them suggested that since the technical arguments were so well balanced it might be wise to fall back upon common sense. That evening he carried a sample of the disputed substance home to his wife, who was an expert in culinary matters.

"There, my dear," said he, "is a sauce for you to try."

"With one look at the contents of the package, which she evidently recognized, she exclaimed: 'Pshaw! That's no sauce; that's fish. Didn't you know it?'"

"The next day the court met again for consultation and on the following Monday handed down a decision overruling the customs officers and sustaining the importer's appeal."

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If the pure glycerin be exposed for a long time to a freezing temperature it crystallizes with the appearance of sugar candy; but these crystals being once melted, it is almost an impossibility to get them again into the congealed state. If a little water be added to the glycerin no crystallization will take place, though under a sufficient degree of cold the water will separate and form crystals, amid which the glycerin will remain in its natural state of fluidity.

If suddenly subjected to intense cold pure glycerin will form a gummy mass which cannot be entirely hardened or crystallized. Altogether it is quite a peculiar substance.

Gunpowder as Medicine.

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A Nation's Heroes.

Generally the heroes of a nation's history are not those who have benefited mankind, but those who have injured other nations. If we pride ourselves upon the good and not the harm that we have done we should have put Shakespeare on the Nelson monument and given Apsley House to Darwin. But the citizens whom every nation honors most are those who have killed the greatest number of foreigners.—Atlantic.

CITY TREASURER'S NOTICE

There are funds in the city treasury to redeem all warrants drawn on the general fund numbered 11637 to 11757 inclusive.

Interest will cease after November 12th, 1915.
Dated at Grants Pass, Oregon, November 10th, 1915.

G. P. JESTER,
City Treasurer.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received at the office of The California and Oregon Coast Railroad Company, 210 Sixth street, up to noon of November 15, 1915, for the furnishing of 3,000 fence posts. Specifications can be seen at above office. Signed:
W. W. HARMON,
Engineer in Charge

CITY REGISTRATION

The annual general city election for the City of Grants Pass will be held on Monday, December 6, 1915. All electors of the city, desiring to vote at this election should register. The registration books are open in the auditor's office in the city hall.

Special attention will be given to registering from 2 o'clock p. m. to 5 o'clock p. m. each day of this week.
Yours truly,
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